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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, VS, VN
SUBJ: DIPLOMATIC NOTE ON VIETNAM SITUATION

REF: STATE 033184

1. CALLED ON GROMYKO AT 1500 MOSCOW TIME TO PRESENT HIM NOTE ON VIETNAM SITUATION (REFTEL). BREMENT ACCOMPANIED ME. KORNIYENKO AND NOTETAKER WERE PRESENT ON SOVIET SIDE.

2. AFTER HANDING GROMYKO OUR NOTE (MFA426/75), I THEN WENT OVER ITS CONTENTS WITH HIM IN DETAIL. WHEN I CONCLUDED, GROMYKO STATED THAT SOVIET SIDE WOULD STUDY THE NOTE AND "IF WE CONSIDER IT NECESSARY" WOULD REPLY TO IT. I SHALL LIMIT MYSELF TO ONLY ONE OBSERVATION ON THIS MATTER, GROMYKO CONTINUED. MANY TIMES IN THE PAST WE HAVE CALLED THE ATTENTION OF U.S. AUTHORITIES TO THE FACT THAT THE PUPPET REGIME IN SAIGON WAS SYSTEMATICALLY VIOLATING THE PARIS AGREEMENT. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS HAVE SHOWN THAT THIS AGREEMENT NEVER FULLY CAME INTO
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EFFECT. YOU HAD OUR STATEMENTS, GROMYKO SAID, BUT NOTHING AT

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ALL WAS DONE ABOUT THEM.

3. I REPLIED THAT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US ON THIS MATTER WERE WELL KNOWN AND THAT, WHILE I DID NOT WANT TO ENGAGE IN A POLEMIC ON THIS SUBJECT, IT SEEMED TO ME THAT WHAT HAS HAPPENED RECENTLY DEMONSTATED BEYOND DOUBT WHICH SIDE HAS VIOLATED THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

4. GROMYKO SAID HE AGREED THAT THERE WAS NO POINT IN ARGUING WITH ME ABOUT THIS SUBJECT AND STATED AGAIN THAT SOVIETS WOULD STUDY OUR NOTE. PERHAPS WE WOULD BE DISCUSSING THIS MATTER FURTHER, HE ADDED.

5. GROMYKO'S ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, PRIMARILY ON MIDDLE EAST, WILL BE CONVEYED SEPTEL.
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